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PRELIMINARY AND ADVANCED STAGES OF A
SYNCHRONOUS PIPELINE
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Dear Sir,

This response is submitted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114 along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), the fee set forth under 1.17(e), and a fee for a one-month extension pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). This submission is in response to an Office Action dated 12/31/2002 which was made **FINAL**.